(b) what it the total recovery of UBI in the year 1994-95; and

(c) what hat been the recovery from the former management of a tobacco company in 24 Pargan** North in West Bengal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M.V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY): (a) United Bank of India (UBI) has reported that total Non-Performing Assets of the bank aggregated Rs. 1152.00 crores as on 31st March, 1994.

(b) The recovery of NPA in 1994-95 is Rs. 143.50 crores (provisional).

(c) United Bank of India has reported that in the A/c New Tobacco Co. Ltd. so far total recovery is Rs. 16.00 crores out of which Duncan Industries Ltd. has paid Rs. 13.00 crores.

Charges against Senior Custom officials

5305. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: SHRI N. GIRI PRASAD.

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that certain senior customs officials including the Delhi's Principal Collector of Customs have been booked by CBI on charges of cheating and misappropriation of Government money;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have received many complaints from individuals and MPs regarding non-payment of rewards to the informers; and

(d) if so, the details of such complaints received during the last three years and the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M.V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY): (a) and (b) Matter is under investigation by CJB.I.

(c) Government have received from time to time representations/complaints from Hon'ble MPs as well as individuals regarding non-payment of reward to informers.

(d) Information is being collected and shall be laid on the Table of the House.

Central Government Guarantee to Banks/ Financial InaHtnflsnj

5306. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE: SHRI NILOTPAL BASU:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to refer to the answer to unstarred Question 1055 given in the Rajya Sabha on 21st march, 1995 and to state:

(a) whether RBI has directed the banks thi.t they are free to decline the rehabilitation package of potential viable sick CPSUs in absence of Central Government Guarantee and Ministry of Finance have not advised all concerned Ministries, Banks/FIs. that Government guarantee would be automatically available in the case of potentially viable sick CPUs as the delay in taking decision for providing Government guarantee would turn potentially viable sick CPSUs into non-viable ones; and

(b) if so, what are the full details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M.V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY): (a) and (b) Reserve Bank of india (RBI) has reported that their instructions to banks that they would be free to decline credit in the absence of type and form of security that they may deem necessary (which may include Government guarantee) merely reiterates the principle that the banks as purveyors of credits disbursed largely out of the savings of the public mobilised by them are free to insist upon the type of security from all